

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



re Application of:)
 Application No.: 10/635,658) Group Art Unit Not yet assigned
 Applicant: Sittinger, et al.) Examiner Not yet assigned
 Filed: August 5, 2003) Docket 384466-605021
 Title: Implantable Substrates for the)
 Healing and Protection of)
 Connective Tissue, Preferably)
 Cartilage)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith:

- (1) Preliminary Amendment dated December 19, 2003; and
- (2) Return postcard

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
 (37 C.F.R. §1.8a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Please amend the above-identification as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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FEES FOR CLAIMS:

- Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27.

The fees for claims (37 CFR § 1.16(b)-(d)) have been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	29	—	20 = 9 x	\$18.00	\$162.00
Independent Claims	2	—	3 = 0 x	\$84.00	\$0.00
(Multiple Dependent Claims Paid)		\$280 (if applicable)		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					\$162.00
Reduction by ½ for Filing by Small Entity. Note 37 CFR §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28.				<input type="checkbox"/>	(\$81.00)
TOTAL FEES FOR CLAIMS SUBMITTED HEREWITH					\$81.00

FEES PAYMENTS:

- A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed to cover the above fee(s).
- Charge Jones, Day's Deposit Account No. 50-2468 in the amount of \$81.00.
- The Commissioner is authorized to charge Jones Day's Deposit Account No. 50-2468 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 that are not covered, in whole or in part, by a check enclosed herewith and to credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account 50-2468.

Respectfully submitted,

Jones Day

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Dated: December 19, 2003

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